

Voytilla, Marykay

From: Voytilla, Marykay
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 11:55 AM
To: R10-Park Place Remodel
Subject: FW: Drinking water safe on 13th floor?

From: Gockel, Catherine
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 11:41 AM
To: Filippini, Mark; Voytilla, Marykay
Subject: RE: Drinking water safe on 13th floor?

Thanks very much! I'll plan to use the 20th floor's water until I hear more.

Best,
Catherine

From: Filippini, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 11:39 AM
To: Gockel, Catherine; Voytilla, Marykay
Subject: RE: Drinking water safe on 13th floor?

Catherine,

Thank you for your message. OEA and the Health & Safety Committee are working on a plan and program to sample water sources on the EPA occupied floors which have not been remodeled. This would include the 13th floor. We expect to have sampling conducted within the next few weeks and will share the results with the Regional staff.

We do know that sampling results so far have shown that water from the 20th floor are the cleanest so far sampled. This is likely because their drinking fountains have a secondary filter system on them. I would suggest that if staff are concerned, filling your drinking bottles from the 20th floor fountains should be the most protective.

We will post information on the InfoPage as results come available.

Thanks
Mark

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From: Gockel, Catherine
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To: Voytilla, Marykay; Filippini, Mark
Subject: Drinking water safe on 13th floor?

Good morning,

I appreciate management's openness about the recent drinking water issues in the Park Place building. However, I'm now concerned about drinking water in the building. The Infopage announcement said that some floors have been tested, and that it is safe to drink the tap water again. But they didn't mention whether the 13th floor had been tested (that's where I work). Due to all the construction activity, it's conceivable that there could be extra lead in the drinking water in floors that were not tested. In order to be precautionary, I have been going across the street to get my drinking water. I would like to be sure that the water on the 13th floor is safe and would appreciate having our water tested.

Thank you for your help,

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